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## 37 CFR 1.53(b) UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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Title: NUCLEIC ACID, NUCLEIC ACID FOR DETECTING CHLORINATED ETHYLENE-DECOMPOSING BACTERIA, PROBE, METHOD OF DETECTING CHLORINATED ETHYLENE-DECOMPOSING BACTERIA, AND METHOD OF DECOMPOSING CHLORINATED ETHYLENE OR ETHANE

Enclosed are.

[X] Specification (37 pages), including Abstract and 20 claims.  
 [X] 3 sheets of drawing containing 3 Figures (Formal)  
 [ ] Declaration/Power of Attorney  
 [X] This application is filed pursuant to 37 CFR §1.53(b). The Declaration will be filed pursuant to 37 CFR §1.63.  
 [ ] Assignment and PTO-1595 Cover Sheet  
 [X] I hereby state that the information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written sequence listing  
 [ ] IDS and Form PTO-1449 with four references  
 [ ] Preliminary Amendment Under MPEP 506 to reduce filing fees.  
 [X] Certified copy of Priority Document(s) for 35 USC 119 priority claim: JAPAN 2000-227580 filed July 24, 2000 and JAPAN 2001-066001, filed March 9, 2001.

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